Lesson 2.07: BABY MOSES IN THE BULRUSHES — Ex. 2: 1-10

TEACHER PREPARATION

Read over Exodus 2: 1-10.

WORSHIP CIRCLE

STORY AND DISCUSSION

Introduce story. Our story is about a little baby boy. He lived a long time ago in a land called Egypt. He was a little Hebrew baby. Now Egypt had a very bad, wicked king called Pharaoh. He didn’t want any Hebrew baby boys in his country. So the baby’s mother was afraid.

Retell the story. (Use flannel board or pictures to help illustrate the story if possible.)

As you tell it, mention:

1. Moses was very safe in his ark of bulrushes, because the Lord was taking care of him.

2. How do you think the baby’s sister, Miriam, felt when she saw Pharaoh’s daughter find the baby?

3. What did Pharaoh’s daughter think when she saw the crying baby?

4. The baby’s mother must have been so happy! Now she could care for the baby until he was a little bigger. Then he would become the son of the Pharaoh’s daughter, and live in a palace with her.

5. Do you know what Pharaoh’s daughter named the baby? (Moses) “So she called his name Moses, saying ‘Because I drew him out of the water.” Let’s say this part together:

6. The Lord brought the Pharaoh’s daughter to the river at just the right time to find Moses! It was the Lord who kept Moses safe, just as He keeps all of us safe, because the Lord loves us all.

PROJECT A

Have for each child a square cut out of cardboard (5-6 inches square). Give them each some clay or playdough to press flat onto the cardboard to be the water. Onto that playdough have them press a little “ark” made of an egg carton section, and all around it “bulrushes,” made of pipe cleaners on thin small strips of poster board. Have them make a little baby Moses out of playdough and place him in the ark.
Recipe for Playdough

2 cups flour  
1 cup salt  
4 tsp. cream of tartar

2 cups water  
2 Tbls. oil  
2 tsp. food coloring (if you want)

Combine flour, salt, and cream of tartar in a saucepan. Mix liquids and gradually stir them into dry ingredients. When mixture is smooth, cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until a ball forms. Remove from heat and knead until smooth.

PROJECT B

Materials:
Small purchased baskets
Small pan for heating wax
Black wax, (or crayons)
Green paper
Paper bowls
Small dolls

Doing the Project:

1. Heat the wax in a small pan to make “pitch”, and then dip the baskets into it.
2. Put the small dolls in the “pitch” covered baskets.
3. Then float them in a paper bowl decorated with green paper bulrushes around the edges.